

In the Specification:

At page 8, replace the paragraph at lines 18-20 with the following replacement paragraph that has been marked to show the changes made:

The relative molecular mass (M_r) range of PEO or other poly(alkylene oxide) utilized as the A block polymer in the copolymers of the present invention is suitably 500 to 2,00020,000, and preferably is 20,0002,000 to 10,000.

At page 9, replace the paragraph at lines 3-6 with the following replacement paragraph that has been marked to show the changes made:

The relative molecular mass (M_r) range of PHB or other poly(hydroxyalkanoate) utilized as the B block polymer in the copolymers of the present invention is suitably 500 to 2,00020,000, preferably is 20,0002,000 to 10,000, more preferably 2,500 to 7,500 and most preferably is 3,000 to 5,000.

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